Let's get ready for your

G-TUBE

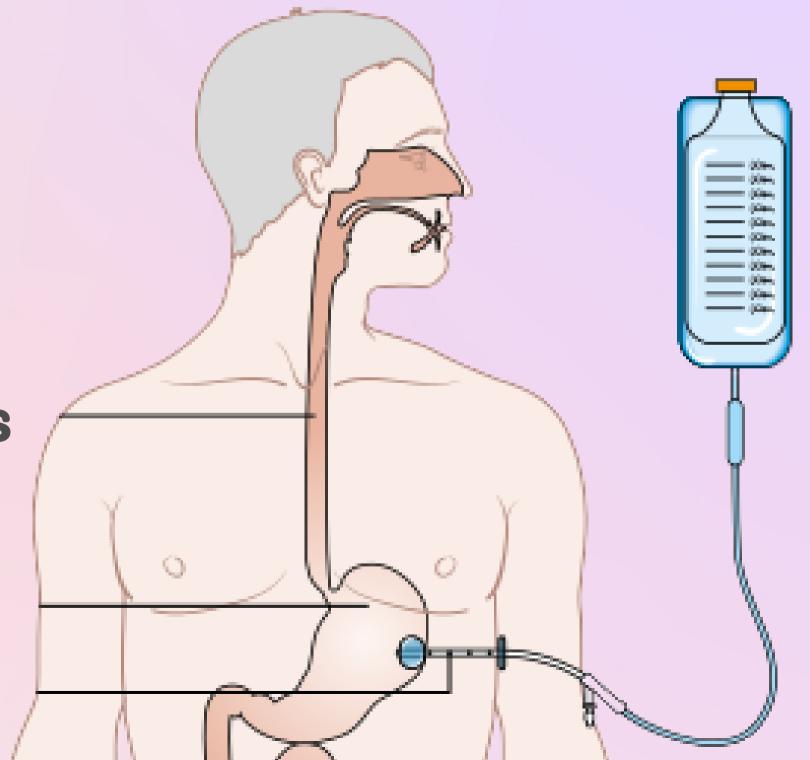
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ABOUT G-TUBE

A gastrostomy tube (G-tube) is a small tube that goes through the skin and muscle into the stomach.

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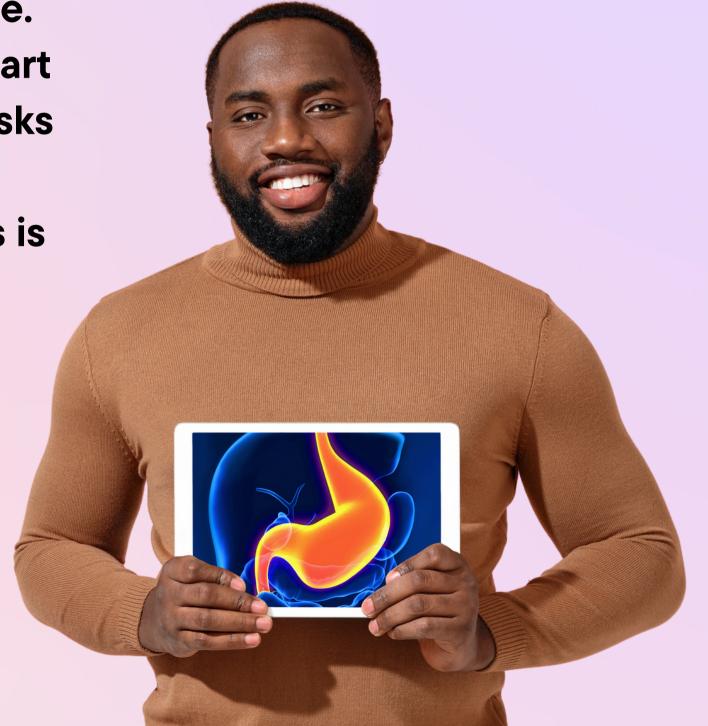
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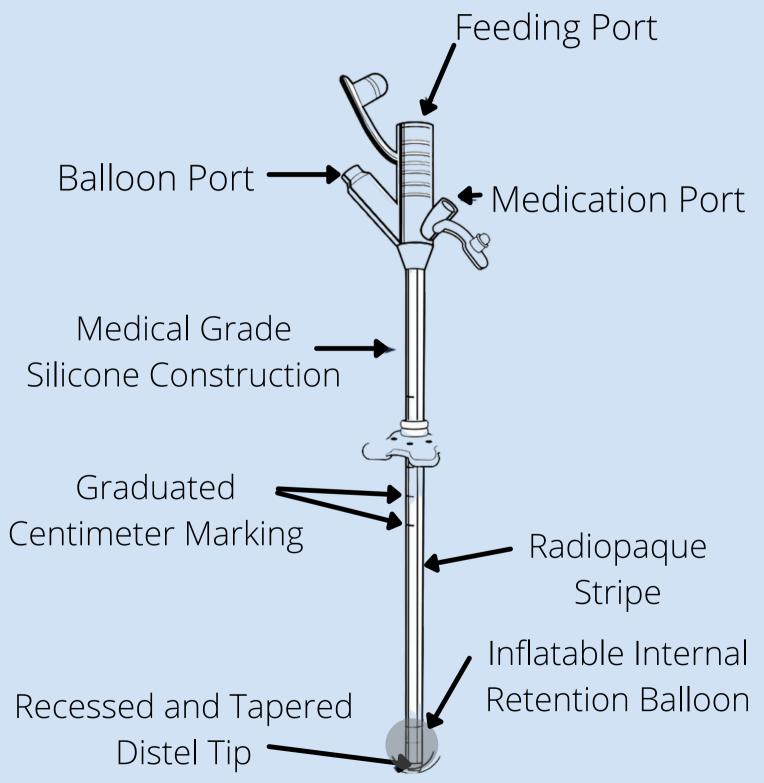
Doctors often order several tests before a G-tube.

The most common test is an X-ray of your upper part of the digestive system. Sometimes the surgeon asks the family to meet with specialists, such as a gastroenterologist, dietitian, or social worker. This is to prepare a care plan.



WHAT DOES A G-TUBE LOOK LIKE?







WHY DO YOU NEED A G-TUBE?

It is used to provide you nutritients, liquids, and medications.

This helps to give you calories and nutrition that help you grow.

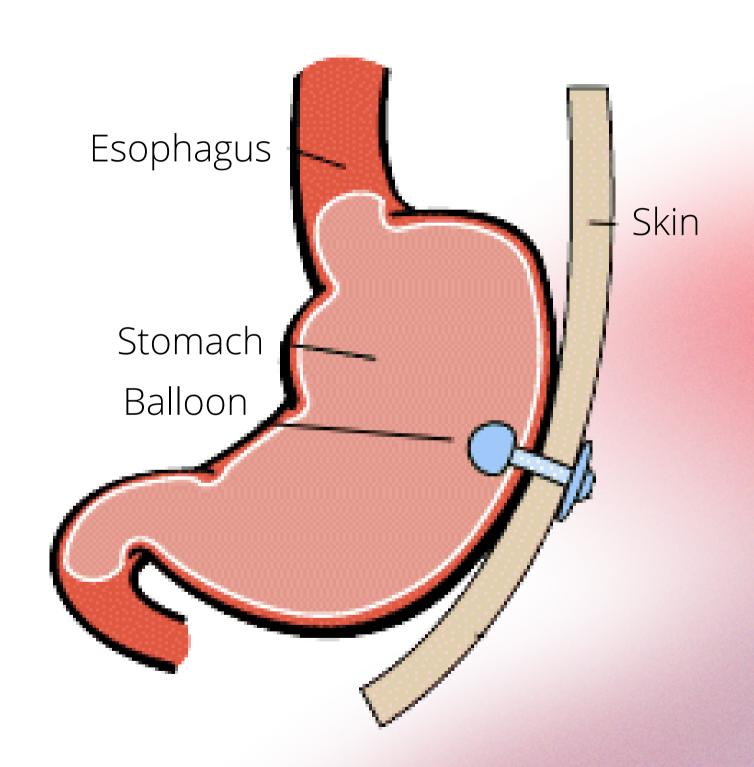
ABOUT MIC-KEY BUTTON

A button tube (Mic-key button) is a tube that sits close to the skin. There is an inflatable balloon at one end to keep it in place inside the wall of your stomach.

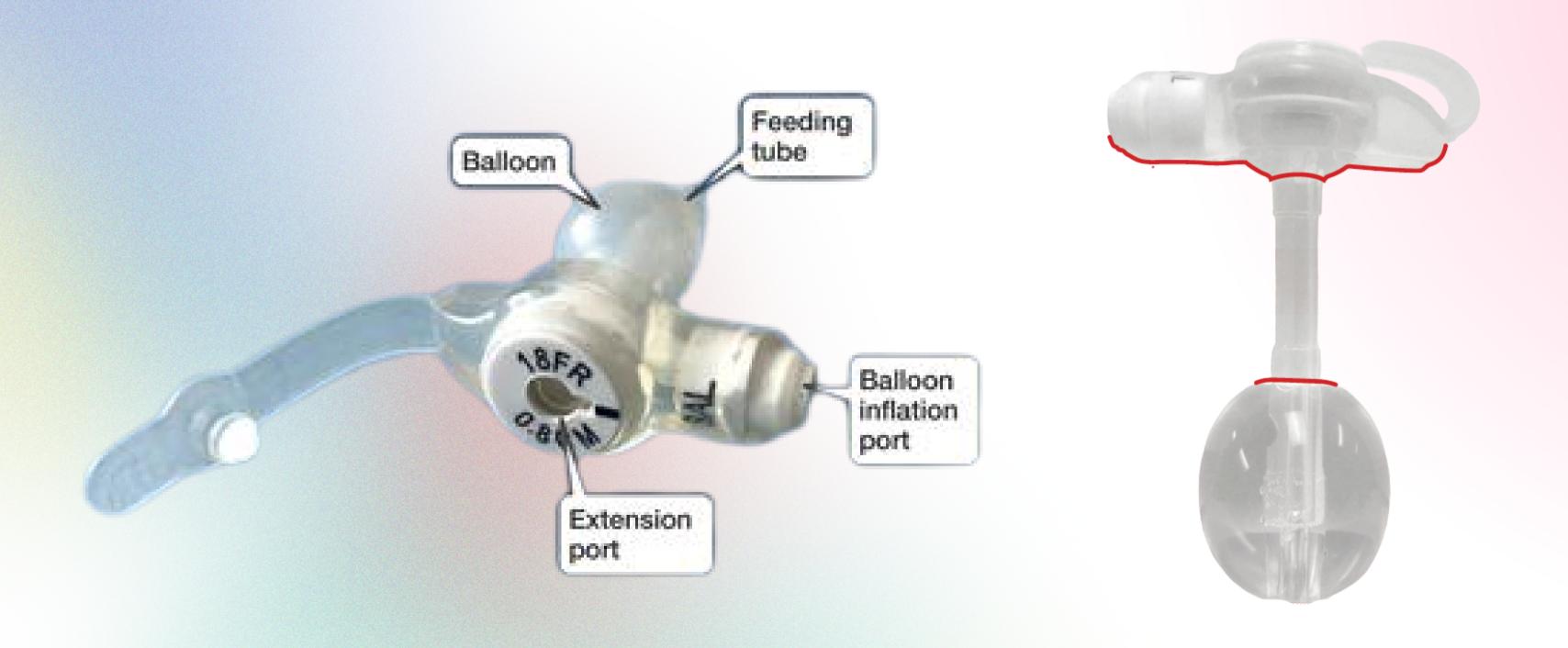
The Mic- Key tube has an extension tube that can be connected for feedings, medications and letting air out.

When it's not use being used it can be capped off. It can be used over time and used for quick feedings.

You will be sized for the right size and the size will be written on top of the button. As you grow you may need a thicker or longer tube that can be changed.



WHAT DOES A MIC-KEY BUTTON LOOK LIKE?



WHY DO YOU NEED A MIC-KEY BUTTON?

A Mic-Key button tube is used to give or improve nutrition, liquids, and medications. This helps to give you calories and nutrition that help with growth.



HOW ARE THEY PLACED?

Both the G-tube and the Mic-key tubes are put in during surgery. When you wake up from surgery that spot may feel sore.



CAN YOU STILL EAT?

If you are able to swallow safely, the speech therapist may do a swallow test. If the test shows you can swallow, then you'll be able to eat food and add the tube feeding.



G-TUBE CLEANING

- Wash your hands with soap and water before and after care.
- Remove old dressing (if dressing is being used). Look at the area where the tube enters the skin.
- Wash skin around the tube with soap and warm water. Clean around G-tube to remove any drainage and / or crusting. Rinse soap off with clear water. Dry skin thoroughly.
- A dressing may be used around the G-tube site as instructed by your care team.
- Do not use lotions or ointments around tube site unless directed by your child's care team.



MIC-KEY BUTTON CLEANING

- Wash your hands with soap and water before and after care.
- The Nurse will remove the old dressing and check the area.
- Then they will clean the skin around the tube with soap and warm water.
- It important to clean around then Mic-key button to keep it dry. Rinse soap off with clear water. Dry skin thoroughly.

WILL IT HURT?

ARE THERE THINGS I CAN AND CAN NOT DO?

CAN OTHERS TELL I HAVE IT?

HOW LONG WILL I HAVE IT?

WILL I BE AWAKE WHEN THEY PUT IT IN?

WHAT OTHER QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?